

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 11-15 and 18-19, and replace Claims 1, 10, 17, and 24, all as shown below. All pending claims are reproduced below, including those that remain unchanged.

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1. (Currently Amended) A method for obtaining a travel time, comprising the steps of:

receiving at a remote location a search category from a communication device;

identifying a plurality of locations in the search category which are within a search area;

wherein the search area is determined based upon potential pathways from an origin;

computing a first travel time from an the origin to a first location in the plurality of locations;

storing the first travel time and respective first location; and

transmitting the first location from the remote location to the communication device;

wherein the communication device is one of a telephone and a personal digital assistant.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

computing a second travel time from the origin to a second location in the plurality of locations; and,

sorting the first travel time and second travel time by ascending order.

3. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the search category is restaurants and the first location is a first restaurant.

4. (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the search category is gas stations and the first location is a gas station.

5. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of expanding the search area.

6. (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:  
determining whether a preselected number of locations have respective travel times computed.

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7. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:  
estimating the first travel time by dividing a distance from the origin to the first location by a maximum speed; and,  
determining whether the estimated first time is less than a predetermined limit.

8. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the identifying step includes searching a database for a plurality of locations within a selected geographical area.

9. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the communication device is a cellular telephone.

10. (Currently Amended): A method for obtaining a travel time, comprising the steps of:

receiving at a remote location a search category from a communication device;

identifying a plurality of locations in the search category which are within a search area, wherein the search area is determined based upon potential pathways from an origin;

determining whether the search area should be expanded based upon the plurality of locations;

estimating a first travel time by dividing the distance from ~~an~~ the origin to a first location by a maximum speed;

determining whether the estimated first travel time is less than a predetermined limit;

computing the first travel time from the origin to the first location in the plurality of locations;

storing the first travel time and respective first location;

computing a second travel time from the origin to a second location in the plurality of locations;

sorting the first travel time with the second travel time based upon ascending values;

compiling a list from the sorted first travel time and second travel time, the list including travel time and location address; and

transmitting the list from the remote location to the communication device;

wherein the communication device is one of a telephone and a personal digital assistant.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

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14. (Canceled)

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17. (Currently Amended): A method for obtaining a list of targets, comprising  
the steps of:

receiving a request for a search category from a communication device;

receiving identifying a search area from an input source, wherein the search area  
is determined based upon potential pathways from an origin;

identifying a plurality of targets in the search category which are within the search  
area;

computing a travel time for at least one of the plurality of targets from ~~an~~ the  
origin to the target;

sorting each of the plurality of targets for which a travel time has been computed  
by the respective travel time;

compiling a list of the sorted plurality of targets; and

displaying the list to a user via the communication device;

wherein the communication device is one of a telephone and a personal digital  
assistant.

18. (Canceled).

19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 17, wherein the search category is restaurants.

21. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 17, wherein the search category is gas stations.

22. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of modifying the search area.

23. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of:

estimating whether a travel time is less than a predetermined limit by dividing a distance from the origin to the target by a maximum speed.

24. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 17, wherein the identifying step includes searching a database for a plurality of targets within a the search area.

25. (Previously Presented): The method of claim 17, wherein the communication device is a cellular telephone.